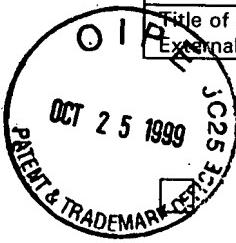


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Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR § 1.27 has been established by verified statement previously submitted.

- A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR §§ 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- Petition for a \_\_\_\_\_ month extension of time.
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